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Re:

Enclosed Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.116

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/662,809

Our Reference: NGB.292

Dear Examiner Anderson:

Enclosed is an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 which is responsive to the July 18, 2006 Office Action, and which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,

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METHOD FOR PRODUCING GROUP III NITRIDE COMPOUND

SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Box AF

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 18, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper. No new matter has been added.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.